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1.	Statement				
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-	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-7	YES	
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	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-7	YES	
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Citations and explanations

The closest prior art (corresponding to the preamble of claim 1) is known from EP-A-0776719.

Problem and solution:

The problem addressed by the present application is that of improving the known generic tool so that the cutting element can be changed more quickly and with greater precision, and also so that the machining forces generated during the machining operation are reliably directed into the mounting so that greater machining precision can be achieved.

The combination of features proposed in claim 1, in particular the inclined surface (50) and the screw thread (54) in the recess that co-operates with the inclined surface on the tool, ensures a simple and reliable zero-backlash connection between the tool and the mounting, thereby solving the problem of interest. The solution is novel and cannot be derived in an obvious way from the cited documents.

The subject matter of claim 1 is industrially applicable.

The subject matter of claims 2 to 7 is novel, inventive and industrially applicable by virtue of the dependence of said claims on claim 1.